

Community report

Darwin (C)

Prepared from Community Explorer topic selections for briefing, planning and reporting use.

AREA

Darwin (C)

COMPARISON

Greater Darwin

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

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Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

01 Religion

Sources and method

- Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing, 2021 and, where available, 2016 comparison data.
- Percentages are calculated from the denominator supplied for each topic. Change (pp) is the 2021 percentage minus the 2016 percentage when the topic is comparable across years.
- Usual residence topics describe where people usually live, rather than where they were counted on Census night.

Religion

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Key takeaway

In 2021, No religion was the most common religious affiliation among residents in Darwin (C), accounting for 38.9% (31,354 people). This share was lower than Greater Darwin (41.7%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in No religion, which increased by 6,768 people and 7.7 percentage points.

About this topic

Religion records a person's stated religious affiliation, including no religion and not stated responses. It is a measure of cultural identity and belief rather than practice or participation.

This topic helps show the religious diversity of an area and can support planning for community facilities, faith-based services, and inclusive engagement. It is best interpreted with ancestry, birthplace, and language, which together provide a broader picture of cultural composition.

Interpretation notes

- This records stated religious affiliation, not attendance or level of religious practice.
- No religion and not stated are part of the overall picture, so interpretation should consider both affiliation and non-response.

Religion - Ranked by size

Darwin (C) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Darwin %	Count	%	Greater Darwin %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	366	0.5%	0.5%	522	0.7%	0.7%	-156	-0.2
Buddhism	2,977	3.7%	3.0%	2,624	3.3%	2.8%	+353	+0.4
Christianity, nfd	1,645	2.0%	2.1%	1,696	2.2%	2.2%	-51	-0.2
Anglican Church of Australia	4,122	5.1%	5.8%	5,968	7.6%	8.7%	-1,846	-2.5
Baptist	967	1.2%	1.3%	962	1.2%	1.3%	+5	0.0
Brethren	—	—	0.0%	9	0.0%	0.0%	—	—
Western Catholic	15,148	18.8%	18.1%	17,376	22.1%	21.4%	-2,228	-3.3
Maronite Catholic	7	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—	—	—
Syro Malabar Catholic	165	0.2%	0.1%	162	0.2%	0.1%	+3	0.0
Catholic, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—	—	—
Churches of Christ, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	0.0%	-5	0.0
Churches of Christ (Conference)	63	0.1%	0.1%	63	0.1%	0.1%	0	0.0

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	Count	%	Greater Darwin %	Count	%	Greater Darwin %
Jehovah's Witnesses	208	0.3%	0.3%	264	0.3%	
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints	158	0.2%	0.2%	166	0.2%	
Lutheran	370	0.5%	0.5%	499	0.6%	
Coptic Orthodox Church	16	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Syrian Orthodox Church	116	0.1%	0.1%	80	0.1%	
Ethiopian Orthodox Church	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern Orthodox, nfd	–	–	–	3	0.0%	
Greek Orthodox	3,339	4.1%	2.9%	3,375	4.3%	
Macedonian Orthodox	3	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Romanian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Russian Orthodox	32	0.0%	0.0%	31	0.0%	
Serbian Orthodox	44	0.1%	0.0%	29	0.0%	
Ukrainian Orthodox	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern Orthodox, nec	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Presbyterian	645	0.8%	0.9%	875	1.1%	
Reformed	4	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Salvation Army	59	0.1%	0.1%	116	0.1%	
Seventh-day Adventist	197	0.2%	0.3%	250	0.3%	
Uniting Church	1,735	2.2%	2.2%	2,359	3.0%	
Pentecostal, nfd	696	0.9%	1.0%	709	0.9%	
Apostolic Church (Australia)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Australian Christian Churches (Assemblies of God)	41	0.1%	0.1%	53	0.1%	
C3 Church Global (Christian City Church)	8	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	

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International Network of Churches (Christian Outreach Centres)	–	–	0.0%	12	0.0%	
CRC International (Christian Revival Crusade)	10	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
United Pentecostal	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Revival Fellowship	10	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Pentecostal, nec	12	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Other Protestant, nfd	192	0.2%	0.2%	173	0.2%	
Aboriginal Evangelical Missions	53	0.1%	0.0%	88	0.1%	
Born Again Christian	91	0.1%	0.1%	92	0.1%	
Congregational	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Ethnic Evangelical Churches	26	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	
Independent Evangelical Churches	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Wesleyan Methodist Church	27	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Christian Community Churches of Australia	–	–	–	3	0.0%	
Methodist, so described	76	0.1%	0.1%	89	0.1%	
United Methodist Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Protestant, nec	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Christadelphians	4	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Gnostic Christians	–	–	–	–	–	
New Apostolic Church	9	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Ratana (Maori)	10	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Other Christian, nec	10	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	

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Hinduism	4,273	5.3%	3.7%	2,409	3.1%	
Islam	2,244	2.8%	2.1%	1,535	1.9%	
Judaism	62	0.1%	0.1%	67	0.1%	
Australian Aboriginal Traditional Religions	42	0.1%	0.1%	66	0.1%	
Baha'i	26	0.0%	0.0%	27	0.0%	
Ancestor Veneration	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Confucianism	23	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Taoism	80	0.1%	0.1%	90	0.1%	
Shinto	9	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Nature Religions, nfd	—	—	—	—	—	
Animism	10	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Druidism	—	—	—	3	0.0%	
Paganism	54	0.1%	0.1%	54	0.1%	
Wiccan (Witchcraft)	14	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	
Nature Religions, nec	22	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	
Sikhism	734	0.9%	0.7%	336	0.4%	
Spiritualism	20	0.0%	0.0%	28	0.0%	
Church of Scientology	7	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Eckankar	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Rastafari	10	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Satanism	19	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Theosophy	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Jainism	21	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	

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Zoroastrianism	–	–	–	–	–	–
Religious Groups, nec	22	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	–
No Religion, so described	31,354	38.9%	41.7%	24,586	31.2%	31.2%
Agnosticism	95	0.1%	0.1%	100	0.1%	–
Atheism	111	0.1%	0.1%	123	0.2%	–
Humanism	8	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	–
Rationalism	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Secular Beliefs, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nfd	7	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	–
Multi Faith	10	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	–
New Age	–	–	–	–	–	–
Own Spiritual Beliefs	82	0.1%	0.1%	48	0.1%	–
Theism	20	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	–
Unitarian Universalism	–	–	–	3	0.0%	–
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nec	7	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	–
Not stated	7,423	9.2%	10.5%	10,340	13.1%	13.1%
Total	80,525	100.0%	100.0%	78,782	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes religions with fewer than 10 adherents.

Data basis: usual residence.